

Ready to Run Raceway (RRR) 2020 Season – Return to Sport Plan



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Introduction

Purpose

Ready to Run Raceway's (RRR) Return to sport plan is to state the measures in which the club will be returning to operation safely. This plan closely follows the City of Colwood approved plan of the Island Radio Operated Car Club (IROCC), and to the published guidance of the BC Provincial Health Officer (PHO).

This plan is available to club members and the general public on RRR's Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/VancouverRRR>

What is RRR?

Ready to Run Raceway (RRR), like IROCC, is a local club of model car racing enthusiasts. IROCC is hosted in Greater Victoria, RRR in Greater Vancouver. The hobby grade radio controlled cars are driven on course while drivers are stationary to the edge of the track.

Club members enjoy the hobby of radio controlled model cars and meet according to a race schedule approved by YVR Airport Authority and BCIT Aerospace Campus.

RRR and BCIT Aerospace Campus & YVR Airport Authority

RRR has been using the BCIT Aerospace Campus South Parking Lot since 2011 to host its race events. Events are usually held outdoors on Saturdays in the summer season. Club members' setup their pitting areas under a popup canopy on an edge of the designated racing area.

Radio Controlled Car Racing is a Social Distancing Sport

RRR is a club of hobby enthusiasts remotely controlling cars in a large, outdoor, open area, and thus allows for effective social distancing. Unlike traditional team sports, there is no shared objects or physical contact between attendees.

There is no requirement for participants to be within 2M of each other for any purpose. The typical attendance for RRR events in 2019 were between 25 and 40 participants and we are expecting the same for the 2020 season.

A handful of spectators do visit the track on uncommon occasions, and are always asked to keep a minimum of 10ft from the race track and the pit areas for their safety and the security of racers equipment.

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Safety Protocols and Procedures

Maximum Event Attendance

RRR will be strictly limiting participant entries to 40 people.

Club members will have to obtain approval from the race director to invite nonmembers to ensure the event attendance is within the PHO guideline of 50-person limit.

RRR events, like IROCC race events, are hosted for the club members and with no designated spectator grandstands, concession or gathering places for other groups of people

Social Distancing at Race Events

Social distancing is easy to implement at RRR. Racers are the only ones touching their equipment and pit spaces are marked out in 10'x10' Canopy spots. These spots will be separated by 2M distance to preserve the 2M distance should attendees move about their pit spaces.

During the event, all club members will be respecting social distancing and staying 2M apart at all times. In the large parking lot there is plenty of space for pitting.

There is a large drivers stand in which 4 drivers maximum will be permitted on, 6ft distance between. Those wishing to join the same race heat can bring safe, sturdy step stools and step ladders. The additional approved standing devices are to be no less than 2M from any driver or participant at any time. Designated unsafe standing devices will not be permitted, such as milk crates, buckets, folding chairs and similar.

The race director canopy will be occupied by 1-person maximum at a time with a limit of two unique people per day. The area and items will be sanitized on each turnover. Common items: Table, Chair, Laptop, PA system will be wiped clean with disinfecting wipes.

Track Equipment

RRR uses large wood barriers and plastic drain piping to create the track area in the parking lot. While this equipment is very "low touch" throughout the day, it does need to be moved once onto the track surface in the morning, and once off the track surface at the end of the day. RRR will now require club members to wear gloves if they are involved in moving this equipment.

Additionally, after moving any of this equipment, club members will be required to wash their hands at the cleaning station (see below).

Cleaning Station

RRR will provide a hand cleaning station setup beside the computer tent. The station will contain alcohol type hand cleaners. Club members will be expected to clean their hands throughout the day, but in particular before and after moving any of the track equipment.

The race directors will be expected to wash their hands before and after using the computer.

First Aid

RRR has a first aid kit for minor first aid incidents. If first aid is required to be administered during an event, all persons attending as well as the injured individual must first put on a mask and gloves.

Restrooms and Refuse

The parking lot does not contain a restroom. No sanitizing required. Refuse is collected by RRR and disposed of offsite.

Gloves, Shields and Masks

As mentioned above, gloves are required for all setup/teardown duties. If participants choose to wear gloves for protection, RRR will recommend sanitizing throughout the day. Facemasks and shields are encouraged for setup and teardown of common contact track pieces.

Illness Policy to Enforce Safety

RRR has created this new illness policy to help enforce safety at its events:

- Anyone who has been diagnosed with the COV-19 virus will not be permitted at an event until they are free of the virus.
- Anyone who is waiting for the results of a COVID-19 test will not be permitted at an event until the results of the test are known.
- Anyone who has had symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 10 days will not be permitted at an event. Symptoms include fever, chills, new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, and new muscle aches or headache.
- Anyone from a household with someone showing symptoms of COVID-19 will not be permitted at an event.
- Anyone directed by Public Health to self-isolate will not be permitted at an event.
- Anyone who has arrived from outside of Canada or who has had contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case must self-isolate for 14 days and monitor for symptoms before they will be permitted at an event.
- Anyone starting to feel ill while participating at an event will be asked to go straight home.
- If anyone becomes severely ill (e.g., difficulty breathing, chest pain) we will call 911 immediately. We will then clean and disinfect any surfaces that the ill person has contacted.

Communication Plan

RRR will be communicating with its members through electronic means in advance of events, and through onsite signage at events themselves.

Training on new Policies and Procedures

All club members will be given the list of new safety policies and procedural changes in advance of events. This will allow each club member to perform a self-assessment before coming to an event and it will also provide an understanding of what is expected of them while at the event.

Each club member will have to sign a Participation Agreement (Appendix A) before being permitted at an event. A signed agreement will confirm the participant's understanding of the new safety policies and procedures.

Signage Onsite at Events

Signage will be posted at the parking lot in a central area near the entrance and computer canopy. This will ensure people see the signage upon entering the parking lot and throughout the day while walking between the two sides of the lot. Signage will include these key items:

- Occupancy limit (40 people maximum)
- Social Distance rules (Stay 2m apart from others)
- No touching of other racers equipment without proper sanitizing
- Effective hygiene practices
 - Wash hands regularly
 - Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth
 - Cough and sneeze into your sleeve
- No handshaking, high fives, hugging, etc.
- Restrictions on participants, including those with symptoms and visitors

Outbreak Plan

While RRR is a small group, if an outbreak is reported, the club director will have the authority to modify, restrict, postpone or cancel further events.

If a participant reports that they are suspected or confirmed to have COV-19 then the Illness Policy will be implemented, and that individual will be asked to quarantine at home and monitor their symptoms. The individual will be asked to report any respiratory illness and to not return to activity for at least 10 days following the onset of fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat and painful swallowing, stuffy or runny nose, loss of sense of smell, headache, muscle aches, fatigue and loss of appetite.

In the event of a suspected outbreak of influenza-like-illness, the club director will report and discuss the suspected outbreak with the Medical Health Officer (or delegate) at the local health authority.

Appendix A – RRR 2020 Participation Agreement

Club members and family members of club members while in attendance at club activities.
("Participants")

All "Participants" of Ready to Run Raceway (RRR) agree to abide by the following points when entering club facilities and/or participating in club activities under the COVID-19 Response plan and RTS Protocol:

- I agree to symptom screening checks and will let my club know if I have experienced any of the symptoms in the last 14 days.
- I agree to stay home if feeling sick and remain home for 14 days if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.
- I agree to sanitize my hands upon entering and exiting the facility, with soap or sanitizer.
- I agree to follow social distancing protocols of staying at least 2m away from others.
- I agree to abide by all my club's COVID-19 Policies and Procedures.
- I understand that if I do not abide by the aforementioned policies and procedures, that I may be asked to leave the club for up to 14 days to help protect myself and others around me.
- I acknowledge that continued abuse of the policies and/or procedures may result in suspension of my club membership temporarily.
- I acknowledge that there are risks associated with entering club facilities and/or participating in club activities, and that the measures taken by the club and participants, including those set out above and under the COVID-19 Response Plan and Return to Sport Protocols, will not entirely eliminate those risks.

Name:	Date:
Signature:	
Witness Name:	Date:
Witness Signature:	

Appendix B – Province of BC Ministerial Order No. M183 Section 3

Reliance on emergency and public health guidance

- 3 (1) A sport organization, or a director, officer, employee or volunteer of a sport organization, is not liable for damages resulting, directly or indirectly, from an individual being or likely being infected with or exposed to SARS-CoV-2 as a result of the organization, administration, facilitation or provision of an organized sport activity if, at the relevant time, the sport organization, or director, officer, employee or volunteer of the sport organization,
- (a) was organizing, administering, facilitating or providing the organized sport activity in accordance with all applicable emergency and public health guidance, or
 - (b) reasonably believed that the organization, administration, facilitation or provision of the organized sport activity was in accordance with all applicable emergency and public health guidance.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a sport organization, or a director, officer, employee or volunteer of the sport organization if, in organizing, administering, facilitating or providing the organized sport activity, that sport organization or director, officer, employee or volunteer was grossly negligent.

References

BC Centre for Disease Control (2020, June 4) – **COVID 19**

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19>

Island Radio Operated Car Club (2020, June 4) – **IROCC Return to Sport Plan**

www.irocc.ca

BC Gov News (2020, June 10) – **Province takes action to support return to sport**

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020TAC0026-001038>

BC Ministerial Order 183 (2020, June 10) - **PROTECTION AGAINST LIABILITY FOR SPORTS (COVID-19)**

ORDER http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/mo/mo/2020_m183

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY and note that by signing this agreement, you give up the right to sue for any injury or damages, howsoever caused.

INITIALS (OF PARTICIPANT OR PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN) _____

To: Ready to Run Raceway (RRR) ("the Club") and its organizers, executives, directors, volunteers, agents and all other persons or entities acting in any capacity on their behalf ("the Agents").

I, (Participant Print Name) _____ hereby sign this agreement on behalf of myself, my personal representatives, heirs and assigns.

1. I agree as a precondition to my participation in all events organized by ("the Club") and/or ("the Agents") including, but not limited to outdoor radio controlled car racing (referred to as the "the Activities") and in further consideration of "the Club" allowing me to do so, that I will strictly be bound by the term of this Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumptions of Risk and Indemnity Agreement ("the Agreement").
2. I acknowledge that "the Activities" involve Inherent risks and dangers that may cause serious injury and possible death to participants. I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity. The risks include, among other things: cuts and bruises; burns, falling off of equipment; muscle and joint sprains and strains; broken wrists, ankles and legs; broken bones and other serious injuries; tripping on the track can cause serious injury; colliding with or being landed on by racers of a different size. If the participant is injured, they may require medical assistance, at their own expense. The Agents of the Club have difficult jobs to perform. They seek to create a safe environment but they are not infallible. They might be unaware of a participant's health or abilities. They may give incomplete warnings or instructions and the equipment being used might malfunction. I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume all of the risks existing in this activity. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary and I elect to participate in spite of the risks.
3. I fully understand the risks and dangers associated with my participation in "the Activities" and accept same entirely at my own risk.
4. I hereby waive any and all claims which I may have against the Club and the Agents and release the Club and the Agents from all liability for injury, death, property damage or any other loss sustained by me as a result of my participation in the Activities due to any cause whatsoever; including negligence, breach of contract, or breach of any statutory or other duty of care by the Club and/or the Agents. I release the Club and the Agents from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury including death that I may suffer, resulting from either my use of or my presence at any sight associated with the Activities or through my participation in the Activities, due to any cause whatsoever, including negligence, breach of contract, or breach of any statutory or other duty of care, including any duty of care under the Occupiers Liability Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c.337, on the part of the Club. I understand that negligence includes failure on the part of the Club to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect me from any risks, dangers and hazards of the Property.
5. I appreciate that this Agreement limits the liability of the Agents to the same extent as it limits the liability of the Club, even though the Agents are not formal parties to the Agreement.

